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An overview of 39th SSEAYP 2012
and its activities during 52 days.

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Interview with Administrator

Mr. Toshio Kuzuma, Administrator of the 39th SSEAYP 2012 believes that this program is very special and powerful that unites people and creates bonds beyond national borders. Participating Youths (PYs) share and learn about each other's cultures and gain better understanding of their differences and similarities through various activities onboard and during the country programs. These help the PYs to broaden international outlook.

PYs are able to focus on communicating with others and promoting mutual understanding and friendship which last for a long time because of the limited space - onboard Fuji Maru and activities in each port of call. Onboard activities allow PYs to deepen their understanding about each country's situation and how they can contribute to the society.

Mr. Kuzuma expects PYs' active contributions to their respective societies in the future either through social contribution activities or in their professional endeavors. He encourages PYs to be actively involved in each country's alumni association and to keep in touch with the Japanese Government.



The attendance of around 300 alumni from various batches during the reunions onboard at the ports of call was impressive. This shows how SSEAYP has created bonds that last for a long time. These bonds deepen friendship among Japan and ASEAN countries.

Interview with Captain



Captain Seiji Kuba, as the second time to be Captain for SSEAYP, thinks that passenger safety is his foremost concern. In view of this, he navigated Fuji Maru through Sulu Sea at the tip of Leyte Province then to Pacific Ocean to avoid a storm which was in the path of the original route from Brunei Darussalam to Japan. During the cruise, he met PYs on various occasion and found

that PYs are very polite and positive. Much as he would like to accept the invitations for National Presentations, he did not have opportunities because he had to ensure the safe

voyage of Fuji Maru at the bridge.

He recognizes that SSEAYP has a long and distinguished history fully supported not only by the Japanese Government but also by all the other Governments of ASEAN member countries, host families and alumni associations. He hopes that SSEAYP will be continued and further developed in the years to come. He looks forward to all PYs' active participation in their respective fields and giving back to society all over the world and to continue to communicate with each other after SSEAYP. He encourages PYs to "Do your best to know each other, make good friends, take a positive attitude and be curious about various matters and various cultures."

Discussion Group Facilitators

Discussion program in SSEAYP has become one of the most important onboard activities, because this is the part where PYs learn and deepen their understanding from each of the eight discussion topics. The theme of this year's Discussion Program is "Youth Participation in Social Activities" which aims to raise PY's awareness on the importance of their participation in social activities, and to enhance PY's willingness and encourage their active participation in the post-program activities. The expected outcomes from the Discussion Program are that PYs will broaden their perspective and understanding of the various discussion topics and to use their knowledge and experiences and apply it into their Post Program Activities. Japan - ASEAN Youth Leaders Summit, held in Tokyo with additional 100 Japanese local youth, served as the first step into Discussion Program onboard.

The 2012 Discussion Facilitators:

1. Corporate Social Contribution
Mr. Songwoot Wattanapan (Thailand)
2. Cross Cultural Understanding Promotion
Mr. Somongkol Teng (Cambodia)

3. Environment (Climate Change)
Mr. Evan Ferdian (Indonesia)
4. Food and Nutrition Education
Mr. Koug Ry Ly (Cambodia)
5. Health Education (Measures against HIV/AIDS)
Mr. Ari Yuda Laksmana (Indonesia)
6. International Relations (Japan-ASEAN Cooperation)
Ms. Angel S. Azcuna (Philippines)
7. School Education
Mr. Leo P. Buccahan (Philippines)
8. Youth Leadership Development
Mr. Dimas F. Samudra (Indonesia)





Impression of PYs

LIFE ON BOARD (Rohaya Rahmadani, IPY)

SSEAYP is a unique experience of being in a family with multicultural members. It is a very exciting experience to meet youths from Japan and ASEAN and enrich our perspectives. Through various activities onboard, PYs are able to understand each other and come up with brilliant ideas during the lively discussions to address social needs. SSEAYP has brought us tears and laughter in our 53 day journey. In the end, all these experiences as ambassadors of goodwill will make us better leaders someday.

CLUB ACTIVITIES (Nguyen Xuan Phuoc, VPY)

I am so happy to join Thailand CAs. In the first event, I learned to make Thai handcraft, which helps me to understand more about Thai culture and language. So with the help of my cabin mate, I could pick up some Thai phrases and those proved to be very useful for my homestay in Bangkok port-of-call. In the second event, I learned how to pain umbrellas, practice Thai massage and yoga. I think when I come back home, I can do Thai massage for my family members and friends.



CABIN-MATE (Thee Oo Zin, MyPY)

I stay in the cabin number 514 with my cabin mates: Tika from Brunei Darussalam and Khuon Dina from Cambodia. They are my closest friends, my inspirations, my SG mates and also my sisters. We have shared everything about SSEAYP. Sometimes we even shared about our contingent issues. It is really nice that we can share everything. But the more wonderful is everything we share in our cabin. I have to admit that I was a narrow minded person before as I always have opinions on people according to their nationality, for example; I thought Japanese people are shy. But my cabin mates changed all my opinions. They make me feel like I am loved, cared and appreciated. Surely to say that I am lucky to be a PY; I am blessed to have Tika and Khuon as my roomies.

COURTESY CALL (Azli bin Ahad, MaPY)

The 39th SSEAYP 2012 Participating Youths had the honor of having a courtesy call on the Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives of Indonesia in Jakarta. During his speech, the Deputy Speaker said that as youth ambassadors,

we need to be good examples to the younger generations through youth development and patriotism. We were all inspired with his speech and we hope that we will become leaders of our respective countries in the near future with development of our countries through integrity, innovation and productivity as our main agenda.

We were informed that Indonesia has the fourth largest population in the world with over 200,000,000 people. To get a seat in the Parliament, a candidate needs to earn at least a hundred thousand votes. We realized how competitive Indonesian election is.

COUNTRY PROGRAM (Soeung Rithypanha, CPY)

Experiencing country programs in Vietnam, Thailand, Myanmar, Singapore, Indonesia, and Brunei Darussalam, it can make me understand those respective countries deeply as a local person. Unique food, lifestyle, way of living, language, music, and so on, teach me and improve my life experiences which I will not be able to receive from other program. Moreover, the warmly welcome and hospitality in each hosting countries makes me feel like I am in my own country. Before joining SSEAYP, I thought ASEAN and Japan countries are different, but now I found out that we all share common things and the goal of making ASEAN communities in 2015 would be able to realize. In the near future, ASEAN and Japan will be harmonized as a joyful and peaceful region.

SG ACTIVITIES (Oulathai Souphileuth, LPY)

The Solidarity Group activities help me to develop my skills and abilities to work in team as well as it has supported my deemed understanding on people. Through the SG activities, I was able to learn to express my appreciation to others and get more confidants than before. The experiences I got with my SG mates are very meaningful in which it is a part that raising my motivation all the time, especially opening my mind for a wide during activities. My SG mates are so wonderful and helpful that makes me understand the actual meaning of SG spirit. We always made noises but the noises were full of love and strong relationship among my SG mates.



Impression of PYs

NATIONAL PRESENTATION

(Hjh. Siti Zaharah binti Hj. Murni, BPY)

The National Day Presentation of Brunei Darussalam was held on December 2, 2012. After many nights of rehearsals, we finally had the opportunity to introduce the traditions, history and culture of our country. It was a night filled with a showcase of our Abode of Peace, Brunei Darussalam. From the swift moves of the 'Silat' to the delicate dance of 'Alus Jua Dendang,' which symbolizes happiness and love, to the humorous 'Tarian Kura-Kura,' the performance was a celebration of our heritage.

The support given at the backstage by PYs from other contingents made our task much easier. This shows that SSEAYP has made our friendship and bond developed beyond national borders. SSEAYP has not only given us the opportunity to meet new people but more importantly, it has taught us to always lend a helping hand. The friendship and experiences gained from SSEAYP are far more than what I expected from the program.



CULTURE SHOCK (Rodolfo 'Sonny' SB. Virtus Jr., PPY)

When Fuji Maru reached Muara Port in Brunei Darussalam for the last country program, I was looking forward to the usual 'noisy and loud' experience for someone visiting a foreign country for the first time.

What welcomed me instead were long stretches of fields, parked cars, and streets with very few people. We were brought to 'silent' places: mosques, museums, water village, among others.

My 'wish list' may not have been met but I gained greater gifts: a unique cultural experience and a 'home' away from home. Of all the homestays, I felt the closest connection with the Bruneians because of similarities with the Filipino family – closely-knitted and extended family.

Voluntary Activities (Yuki Tange, JPY)

JPY found the new aspect of Japan within us through the program. So we decided to organize voluntary activities which can express our hospitality as Japanese to the respective Participating Youth from ASEAN countries.

We organized ECO CAFÉ. The theme is 'MOTTAINAI'.

'MOTTAINAI' is the Japanese word and our original spirit, which means that what a waist. We then asked the PYs to bring their own cup not to waste any paper cup so that they can feel the spirit. We introduced UMESHU (Plum wine) and Green tea. For the entertainment, we performed live music. For the café time we prepared acoustic music. For the Bar time, we prepared classic music to show the talent of our contingent.

During the SSEAYP, we learned a lot from other respective PYs. They inspired us and helped us to express ourselves even more. As a result of it, during this Voluntary activity, all the JPY became so creative. Some of them made movie themselves to promote the 'MOTTAINAI' spirit. Some of them started to express themselves by music.

We have to cooperate to make a better environmental world with the spirit of 'MOTTAINAI' and promote REDUCE, RE-USE, RECYCLE.

DISCUSSION GROUP ACTIVITIES (Teo Yao Yang, SPY)

Discussion activity is really meaningful program as it strives to be the bridge that encourages PYs to contribute actively to social activities.

Although the discussion platform was relatively broad-based, 8 different courses gave opportunities the PYs to explore and discuss issues of each country.

Personally, I would definitely have preferred to go deeper because I believe going deeper into pertinent social issues would create a more conducive environment for insightful ideas through leveraging the collective minds of the PYs.

That being said, I perceive the post discussion program very favorably due to the practicality of it. By putting what we learnt into practice, it forces the PYs to participate in active learning towards a social good.

Overall, I am very satisfied with post program sessions because discussion in the sessions comforted me to know that the end of SSEAYP leads to the birth of an idea that would contribute immensely to the society.





Post-Program Activities

BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

SSEAYP 2011 participants had accomplished their main objective in the Post-Program Activity project known as “**SI (SSEAYP International). OK! Awareness Campaign.**” This project was scheduled in March 2012.

“**SI. OK! Awareness Campaign**” was also aimed to create awareness and interest in youth-related programs and to provide clear idea and information about each of their Action Plans for year 2012. Thus, the project also functions as an introductory campaign to give out detailed information about the Action Plans that will be conducted in 2012 the whole year.

Upcoming

The 39th batch of SSEAYP upcoming PPA is a leadership camp that will be held in June 2013 with a theme ‘**Lead The Way.**’ They will implement the knowledge and ideas gained during their 53 days in SSEAYP to the participants of this camp. Pre-project road show will begin in mid-February 2013. It aims to improve the leadership skills among the youth in Brunei Darussalam.

CAMBODIA

On February 25, 2012, CPYs 2011 successfully led “**Green and Clean Beach.**” 100 people participated in the activities including students in Sihanouk Ville Province with the support from Ministry of Education Youth and Sport and SIC.

Upcoming

The rural village in Cambodia is still surrounded by unclean, polluted environment that causes health problem to the people in the community, especially children.

During SSEAYP discussion, Participating Youths learnt about project management, and through the discussion topics onboard they combined different themes of Food and Nutrition, Environment, Health Education and School Education into a project “**Small Step, Big Change.**” The goal of the Project is to raise awareness of healthy lifestyle among parents and children in a rural village.

INDONESIA

After the short term of PPA “Open the Window to the World,” IPYs 2011 continue their long term project which is to support Rumah Zakat, a non-profit organization that engages in activities to support the government in eradication of poverty and to give education support to unfortunate societies in Indonesia.

Upcoming

SIAP (SSEAYP Indonesia for Exchange and Preserve)

IPYs 2012 ready to improve the economy of Kulon Progo district at D.I Yogyakarta by preserving Batik as Indonesian intangible heritage, which already recognized by the UNESCO.

The program consist of two segments: developing a website to promote Batik and at the same time buying and selling Batik products through online portal. 10% of the profit will be donated to support Mitra Netra Foundation for Braille Book publication.

Developing a Batik Training Program which creates a new generation of batik maker is to increase the employment rate in Kulon Progo District.

Japan

September 1-2, 2012, “**J-SSEAYP**” was held by JPY 2011 in Tokyo and 50 people involved. This was a cultural exchange program which aims to provide an opportunity for youth of Japan and Southeast Asia. Theme of 1st J-SSEAYP was “Discover the diversity of South East Asian culture through diverse religions.” What participants can gain from J-SSEAYP are: diversity of Southeast Asia, networking, pleasure of international exchange, friendship, re-discover yourself and appreciate your own culture.

Upcoming

Resulted from their experience of SSEAYP, JPY 2012 will organize “**Happy Camp Project.**” They experienced coexisting societies where people respect each other even though they come from different background during SSEAYP. The camp provide various activities to create uniqueness such as cooking, playing sports and making handy craft. It aims to develop confidence of uniqueness of children through interact with minorities living in Japan, and to increase the number of youths that can appreciate and respect a diversity among Japan. As a result, participants will bring back the experience and share it with their own communities.

LAO P.D.R.

February 18, 2011, LPY2011 successfully conducted their first post program activities (PPA) “**I know, you know, we know,**” at Sithong High School, Vientiane. The PPA was utilized from their action plan with the objectives to share and create awareness about “HIV/AIDS” to the students, as well as sharing information about SSEAYP program. There were 79 participants attended this program.

Upcoming

LPY2012 comes up with project named “**Heart of PYs (HOPYs).**” The objectives are to “Develop and Improve the Quality of Education” and create “School Model.” Apart from this, LPY2012 had successfully conducted their social contribution activities at “Nongbuathong Primary School” before joining the SSEAYP 2012. For the upcoming PPA, LPY2012 hope to continue the project and utilize the basic knowledge and lessons learned from SSEAYP through activities: school education, environment, food/nutrition education social contribution and culture which will be implemented from January 2013 to November 2013.

MALAYSIA

Post Program Activity Report “**1 Student 1 Society**” on June 26, 2012 at Sports School, National Sport Complex Bukit Jalil, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The program J-ASEAN Culture Day carried out by Malaysian Participating Youths in 2011. The program run smoothly and experienced no difficulty with the aims to create awareness among student through sports towards Youth Society or youth organizations and introduce Japan and ASEAN cultures within the region.

Upcoming

Rainbow Initiative Project is a 4-Day 3-Night Youth Camp targeting 15-18 years old to promote multi-racial and mutual understanding among different races and religion. It aims to develop leadership skills through various activities to identify and nurture potential talented youth leaders. In addition, it also helps to raise interest and participation of volunteerism among the youth.

MYANMAR

MyPY 2011 successfully opened the "**Enlightening Nursery**" Library in Minn Village, Mandalay Region on May 30, 2012 with 1,300 books for 9 to 16 years old of students and villagers. A village woman donated the land for the library, MyPYs initiated the funding by estimated 1,800 US\$ and the rest of the costs, construction materials and books were donated by both local and other donors. The village youths volunteered for the library construction sites. The Library Working Committee and MyPYs supervised the progress of the building at the site. Thereafter the library was completed by the work of many diverse stakeholders such as SSEAYP PYs and village youths, village's authorities, donors and local community. The project also succeeded in building the base of sustainability of this library.

Upcoming

HANDS IN HANDS, HEARTS TO HEARTS (4HS) is to provide sustainable voluntary English teaching support to help low income students pass matriculation examination in 2014. The target is the 70-100 students (16-18 yrs old) of Shwe Pyi Thar Township, Yangon for three years. MyPY 2012's ultimate goals are to upgrade students' English language skills enough to catch up the other subjects taught in English easily, and they can either go on university or get a well-paid job.

THE PHILIPPINES

PPYs 2011 participated in a Gawad Kalinga (GK) Build in Brgy. Sta. Elena, Iligan City, for their PPA called "**Project Bayanihan (community spirit)**," which aims to make PPYs 2011 a partner to GK Lanao del Norte by providing volunteers for the GK Bayani Challenge. PPYs 2011 built a house which is now the home of four families.

Upcoming

Hope Philippines aims to address needs of teachers and children in three selected island communities in each of the country's major island group to get more access to their school and better quality of education.

The project complements 39th SSEAYP 2012's Change for Change project which raised SGD1,500 to be donated to the Yellow Boat Foundation to build yellow boats to be used by children from island villages to go to their schools. Change for Change is the very first Post-Program Activity implemented by all the PYs while still onboard in SSEAYP history.



Project Hope Philippines will provide capacity building activities and material support to teachers and children in the selected island communities through computer literacy and leadership training, computer units and reference materials in the next three years. The first phase will be implemented from January to June 2013.

SINGAPORE

"**Project Hand-in-Hand**" was successfully organized by SPYs 2011. The purpose is to build partnership of mutual benefits among the members of SPYs 2011 and 2012 and the mentally challenged children and to heighten awareness that special needs pupils are able to contribute to the society; committed to service and community involvement.

Upcoming

Home Insing is a home stay program that consists of cultural exchange tour that brings together foreign students and local youths from disadvantaged backgrounds. This will be followed by a home stay experience program which involves local host families and foreign students. SPY 2012 are targeting only 100 tertiary going students and have identified possible collaborations such as youth homes: where SPY 2012 could recruit their liaison officers for the cultural exchange tour. SPYs 2012 can tap on the existing foster families and various government agencies for funding and community building.

THAILAND

TPY 2011 renovated the flood-affected Chao Fah Sang Primary School in Ayutthaya province and built a J-ASEAN Corner in the school library. Games and fun activities are used to educate about ASEAN and Japan on National Children's Day.

Upcoming

TPY 2012 pass the experience of SSEAYP to Thai youth whom they believe to be the precious human capital that contributes to sustainability of the development of Thai society in the near future.

There are potential youth in each province of Thailand but still lack of opportunity and on platform to develop themselves as good future leaders. The simulated program aims to inspire potential youth leaders to contribute back to the society.

The 6-day camp will be held on Samed Island in Rayong province. The camp activities include: Group Discussion, Solidarity Group activities, Cultural Day Presentation, Post-Program Activity Proposal.

VIETNAM

VPYs 2011 have successfully implemented their PPA called '**Join Hands Share Smile**' which aimed to provide basic supports for children of primary schools in remote northern Son La Province and highland Daklak Province in Vietnam to provide such as 200 blankets and 600 books.

Upcoming

Hand-to-Hand is to educate students in primary schools to wash their hands more often. To implement this project, the organizers will sponsor for a better water facility in the school ground and hold occasional training sessions for the students on using soap, thus to encourage them to keep their hands clean.



Country Report

SSEAYP International Brunei Darussalam

December 18, 2011 – BERSATU organized a Welcoming party for BPY2011 at an island. This party was held with the aim to introduce the BPY2011 into the association and to bring all ex-PYs closer. It was also aimed to give appreciation for all the hard work done during the Brunei country programme.

February 23, 2012 - BERSATU participated in Brunei Darussalam 29th National Day Mass Parade.

April 24 – 27, 2012 - A total of 38 participants joined 24th SIGA in Tokyo, led by Mr. Zulkifli bin Haji Asmad, deputy Secretary General of BERSATU.

September 16, 2012 – BERSATU or-

ganized an Eid Fitr Celebration at Youth Centre in the capital. The main aim of this event was to serve as a platform to unite former SSEAYP participants and to foster friendship with community, host families and officials from Japanese Embassy were invited to this event.

November 15 -19, 2012 - Mr. Ibrahim bin Haji Sabli and Ms. Norhayati binti Haji Nordin represented BERSATU to the 59th Council of Presidents Meeting in Bangkok, Thailand.

December 3 - 6, 2012 – For the 39th SSEAYP 2012 Country Program in Brunei Darussalam, BERSATU was responsible for the homestay program and reception committees.



December 15 - 16, 2012 – A Welcoming Camping for BPY2012 was held at the Recreational Park with the purpose for debriefing on BPY2012 Post-Program Activities and at the same to alleviate our never ending SSEAYP sickness.

SSEAYP International Cambodia

January, SIC Annual General Assembly: This assembly was held with the presence of H.E. Chey Chab, Secretary of State of the Ministry of Education Youth and Sport. During the Assembly, SIC executive member reported the success of activities in 2011 and the plan for 2012.

October Charity Night: Kuntha Bopha Pediatric Hospitals are operating free of charge with high performance treatment and facility. Recently, due to high number of patients, the Hospitals are in financial crises. With that reasons, SIC

with other PYs in all batches conducted a charity night to raise money for Kuntha Bopha Pediatric Hospitals. It was very successful and around 500 of people from government, youth associations, private sectors, PYs and their families joined. We collected **8,168 USD** from the Charity Night to donate to the Pediatric Hospitals.

Council of Presidents Meeting: President of SI Cambodia and an executive member joined the meeting in Thailand to share the idea on the 40th Anniversary of SSEAYP, preparation of SIGA in



Lao P.D.R. and past social activities of Ex-PYs. President was also a member of panelists in International Youth Forum on “Role of Youth in ASEAN Integration.”

SSEAYP International Indonesia

December 24, 2011 - IPY 2011 has implemented their Post Program Activity with theme “Open the Window for the World.” They combined all discussion topics into 5 activities among which two of them have been integrated because these have a connection.

April 2012 - 64 participants joined in SIGA Japan 2012, consist of ex-PYs,

host families and government officials.

April – December 2012, - Strategic partnership has been tied with the government to conduct the annual activity: recruitment of the PYs and NL selection, Facilitator endorsement, OBSC selection, Pre Departure Training, Country Program and Re Entry Program.

July 29, 2012 - Mr. Badaruzaman (IPY 2007) was elected as a new president of SII Inc. for the period of 2012 – 2014, and he was officially inaugurated by the Deputy of Youth Empowerment of

Ministry Youth and Sport Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia on July 29, 2012.

ICT & Media Directorate: the website of www.sseaypindonesia.blogspot.com reached a milestone by 16,000 – 22,000 hits in 3 months.

September 28 - 30, 2012 - Kabesa have a bilateral alumni visit to SII Inc. on September 28 – 30, 2012.

Joint Workshop between AITE Thailand – SII Inc. for the Ministry of Education Sri Lanka on October 22-27, 2012.



International Youth Exchange Organization of Japan (IYEO)

IYEO, through each prefectural IYEO, has been engaged in support activities for affected areas of Great East Japan Earthquake, especially at the most affected such as Iwate, Miyagi and Fukushima Prefectures. As we continue our support activities, cooperation such as encouraging messages from other countries would be greatly appreciated.

The IYEO challenge Fund was launched FY2011 to encourage IYEO members to initiate new projects targeting the general public. If the applicants were successful, they can receive a subsidy for maximum of up to 100,000 yen to implement the

project.

In FY2012, two groups were selected.

August 25-26, 2012: "Youth Welfare Forum for the People with Disabilities in Oita 2012" was organized mainly by former participants of the Young Core Leaders of Civil Society Groups Development Program who were sent to New Zealand in FY2011, with cooperation of local administration and other organizations, presenting outcomes of the experiences in New Zealand and discussing various issues. It successfully drew a hundred of participants who work for/with people with disabilities.



September 1-2, 2012: "J-SSEAYP" was implemented by the JPY of 38th SSEAYP as one night residential program with discussion and cultural exchange program targeting students. (Refer to page. 5)

Lao SSEAYP Alumni Association (LSAA)

Currently LaoSAA has been carried of 28 committee members working for Alumni Association and recruit e new member to join in the working committee for 25th SI-GA in 2013.

April 2012, LaoSAA sent representatives to join the SIGA 2012 in Japan and hand over the next SIGA to be held in Lao P.D.R.

May 2012, LaoSAA had been successful of the selection representative of Lao Participating Youths to join the SSEAYP 2012 and Index Program.

August 2012, LaoSAA has supported LPY2012 joining voluntary events the "Youth Boots Decoration Competition"

and August 18, 2012 for the "Japanese Festival" held in Vientiane Capital.

September 2012, LaoSAA had hosted the index program from Japan.

November 2012, LaoSAA had sent representatives to attend the Council of Presidents (COP) meeting in Thailand and updated about 25th SIGA.

February 18, 2012, LPY2012 had successfully conducted their first PPA "HIV/AIDS" as named "I know you know we know", in Sithong High School, Santhong District, Vientiane.

September 29, 2012, under the LaoSAA the first Project of LPY2012 was launched before embark to the SSEAYP 2012.



SSEAYP International Malaysia (KABESA)

KABESA has revamped and altered its Vision and Mission according to the vast changing environment. KABESA Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2012 was held at International Youth Centre at Bandar Tun Razak in Kuala Lumpur with new line up of Executive Committee Members and attended by members. This year KABESA developed an Official Website and Social Network (Facebook) to connect and relay information to all ex-MaPY and Executive Committee Members throughout the country. KABESA took the lead and initiated Lateral Courtesy Business Network together with SSEAYP International Singapore (SIS) and SSEAYP International Indonesia Inc. (SII) to further promote mutual understanding and network among those with common business interest in Business Trading, Eco-Tourism,

Job Matching local and international were established. Next action plan will be discussed further during our visit to BER-SATU, ASSEAY, LSAA, SIC, VA-CYF, SIP and IYEO soon.

Recently KABESA members hosted a Welcoming Reunion Dinner with three National Leaders from batch 96 (Singapore, Indonesia & Malaysia) at a famous restaurant in Kuala Lumpur and during Ramadan KABESA also hosted The Ramadan Feast Gathering with Muslim and Non-Muslim members in a local cuisine restaurant next to the Merdeka Square in Kuala Lumpur. KABESA organized a Post Program Activities (PPA) such as Feed The Homeless, it became an eye opener event during Ramadan Month. The event had a good impact to the ex-PY's and realized, "how fortunate" we are

as Ex-PYs.

SSEAYP International Singapore (SIS) attended Eid Fitr Gathering held at Rakan Muda Centre Puchong, Selangor organized by KABESA and members. For the past three years KABESA is already involved as Channel Partners in Asian Pacific Young Business Conference held in Renaissance Hotel in Kuala Lumpur in November.



SSEAYP International Philippines

Strengthening and Institutionalizing SIP, Inc. - Following the election of its first term Board of Trustees in November 2011, SSEAYP International Philippines, Inc. engaged in activities to promote SSEAYP and strengthen the alumni association, which were participated in and supported by SSEAYP alumni, friends, and partners.

The Board started 2012 with Strategic Planning in January which defined SIP's vision, mission and goals in the next two years. Key goals identified are summarized in CORE – Culture and Leadership, Organization, Retention of members and Energizing the team. CORE was approved in April during SIP's Annual General Membership Meeting. Various committees were formed to oversee implementation of CORE programs.

Post-Program Activities - Batch 2011 (Pintig Pinoy), kicked-off their Post Program Activity (PPA) in April by participating in a Gawad Kalinga (GK) Build activity in Brgy. Sta Elena, Iligan City. The project aims to provide shelter to and reconstruction of communities affected by the devastation brought by Typhoon Sendong in 2011. Pintig Pinoy plans to participate in more GK Builds in different parts of the country with alumni from other batches.

Batch 2010 (Pangkat Sulo) continues to implement their PPA and has launched its fourth Community Learning Center (CLC) in Zamboanga City in partnership with the city's local government.

39th SSEAYP 2012 Preparations - The alumni were actively engaged in various 39th SSEAYP activities – from inter-



views in May, endorsement of Discussion Facilitators to IYEO, selection of host family representatives, and providing resources and support from PDT-PDA on September to October. Various alumni batches sponsored fellowship dinners with the current batch and shared their SSEAYP stories and experiences. These provided them the opportunity to relive their SSEAYP memories and rekindle the SSEAYP spirit.

SSEAYP International Singapore

The SSEAYP International Singapore alumni members are actively participating in their respective community projects. Our members are very passionate about making a difference in the community in Singapore.

SIGA Japan - A total of 77 members and host families attended SIGA Japan 2012 on April 25 - 28, 2012.

Kabesa Visit - SIS hosted members of Kabesa on July 14, 2012 for the lateral

business network.

POST SIGA Trip cum Get Together - There were a total of 25 members flew to Hong Kong and Macau for a 5 Day-4 Nights tour from April 28 to May 2, 2012. Upon return to Singapore, a "Post Siga gathering" was organized for host families and participants to share their experiences and happiness.

SIS Board Retreat - A planning session was organized on July 1, 2012 to review

and map out its strategy and directions so as to craft out its future plans and activities

TASK FORCE - A task force was formed to work on the autonomous SIS and the first meeting was held on October 4, 2012.

Biennial General Meeting - SIS is preparing for our Biennial General Meeting to be held on January 26, 2013.

Association of the Ship for Southeast Asian Youth of Thailand (ASSEAY Thailand)

In addition to routine activities such as PY selection, pre-departure training, and SSEAYP country program in Thailand. ASSEAY Thailand conducted various activities:

During the 39th SSEAYP Thailand country program, ASSEAY Thailand hosted the **59th Council of President (COP) meeting** on board M.S. Fuji Maru and held the international youth forum "Role of Youth in ASEAN Integration" at Assumption University, Suvarnabhumi Campus, with some COP members as honorable panelists, to create awareness and prepare youth for the upcoming closer relations among ASEAN member countries.

The **22nd "For Hopeful Children Project"** was organized at the new home at Toey Ngam beach, Chonburi, hosting

the record-high 1,500 under privileged children to experience various activities and learn about Japanese and ASEAN cultures from 150 national and international volunteers, including ex-PYs from SSEAYP and SWY programs.

ASSEAY Thailand-IYEO Fukushima Exchange Program on Disaster Management: Live and Learn took place in Bangkok (home stay) and Phuket (activities and home stay). Participants learned and observed the recovery and re-birth of community and city of Phuket from Tsunami incident in 2004.

During the nationwide flood crisis, ASSEAY Thailand donated money, food, and goods to the victims of the affected areas in Ayutthaya province.

The Annual General Meeting was conducted onboard Fuji Maru during the

Reunion On Board. In the meeting, members elected Asst. Prof. Dr. Siripong Prueththipan as the new president of ASSEAY Thailand. The members thanked Mr. Chai Nimakorn for his 10 years of contributions.



Vietnam Alumni Club of Youth Friendship Programs (VACYF)

January - May 2012: VACYF members in Ho Chi Minh City and Ha Noi organized 4 workshops about SSEAYP. The events were attended by more than 100 fans and applicants who are interested in joining the program. At the same time, ex-PYs also shared their pride and feelings of being youth ambassadors of Vietnam, and their experiences with different cultures.

April 2012: VACYF members successfully implemented their Post-Program Activity called 'Join Hands Share Smile' which aimed to provide basic supports for children of primary schools in remote northern Son La Province and highland Dak Lak Province in Vietnam.

A donation of fund and clothing had been raised in several Alumni websites

and social network pages in March. About 200 blankets, 1,650 notebooks and 600 books were received in addition to 15 million VND in cash. The voluntary groups were warmly received by the school teachers and pupils together with the local government and youth leaders. The books and notebooks were added to the school library, while the blankets and coats were sent directly to the dormitory.

June - October 2012: VACYF organized orientation classes for new PYs in Ha Noi, Ho Chi Minh City and Hue, providing basic information of several tasks before SSEAYP.

November 2012: VACYF members participated in the SSEAYP Country Program in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam,

assisting the Reception Committee and hosting the Reunion On Board in the evening of November 11. Thanks to the wide connection of the Internet, about 100 ex-PYs from Vietnam, Singapore and Philippines attended the event and donated \$800 in the 'SSEAYP Vietnam Fund' after the event.



The 24th SSEAYP International General Assembly in Japan

"SSEAYP International: Together, Move Forward!"

April 25 - 28, 2012 - SIGA Japan was held with the theme of "SSEAYP International: Together, Move Forward!" To commemorate the 25th anniversary of SSEAYP International, SIGA Japan invited panelists from ex-participants of SSEAYP who actively engage in political, NGO, business, education, international organization to discuss "Significance of the Human Resource Development in the Global Society." They discussed the key to develop global human resources by introducing recent activities and how the experience of SSEAYP have worked for their life and way of thinking.

Date	Main Program
April 25	Arrival of participants
	SI Representatives' Meeting (COP Meeting)
April 26	General Assembly
	Welcome Reception
	SI 25th Anniversary Forum
April 27	Breakfast and Ship Tour onboard Fuji Maru
	Institutional Visit
	Farewell Party
April 28	Departure of participants

Participants also joined Institutional Visit according to their interests. Institutional Visit gave opportunities to deepen their understanding about culture, industry, economy and environment in Japan through experience of visit and discussion.

Prior to main program, Social Contribution Activities was held in the tsunami affected area on April 22-24; Courtesy Call, Scallop Industry Support Project, ASEAN Engawa Café and exchange activities at two elementary schools.



The 25th SSEAYP International General Assembly in Lao P.D.R.

"SSEAYP Together Experience Cultures"

LaoSAA is indeed honored to be the next host for the **25th SIGA** in 2013. We are really proud to organize SIGA in Lao P.D.R. because the LaoSAA was only found in 2009. So now, it is time for the former Participating Youths of SSEAYP to have a reunion and broadening the long lasting friendship. The theme for upcoming 25th SIGA is "SSEAYP Together Experience Cultures." We warmly welcome all of you, your family and friends to join us at SIGA 2013 which will be held during **April 25-27, 2013 at Vientiane Capital, Lao P.D.R.**

Activities on the 25th SIGA will be highlighted by "**SIGA Award**" which is held every 3 years, Social Con-

tribution Activities, Council of Presidents Meeting (COP), Seminar, etc. Before SIGA, **Social Contribution Activities (SCA)** will be held in **April 22-24, 2013.**





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Route and ports of call



The 39th SSEAYP started from October 23 until December 14, 2012. The ship left from Yokohama, Japan and visited 5 ports-of-call in Southeast Asia before returning to Tokyo. The PYs showed their enthusiasm joining all the activities onboard the ship and during the country programs in all ports of call. From all of these activities, PYs have a time communicating and understanding each other especially deepening their mutual understanding.

SSEAYP ended successfully. All NLs, PYs, Discussion Facilitators, OBSC Representatives and Administrative staff brought home not only what they have experienced, but also everlasting friendship.

ROUTE AND PORT OF CALL	DURATION
Yokohama (Japan)	Nov 02
Ho Chi Minh City (Vietnam)	Nov 09 – Nov 12
Bangkok (Thailand)	Nov 15 – Nov 19
Representatives visit Yangon, Myanmar by Air	Nov 16 – Nov 17
Singapore	Nov 22 – Nov 25
Jakarta (Indonesia)	Nov 27 – Nov 30
Muara (Brunei Darussalam)	Dec 03 – Dec 06
Tokyo (Japan)	Dec 13



OBSC Representatives 2012



Mr. Haji Mohamad Aduka bin Haji Abdul, BPY 1997

Ms. Nuon Markara, Cambodia, CPY 2009

Mr. Arisza Wiryawan, IPY 2005

Ms. Nozomi Akamatsu, JPY 2006

Mr. Chanpasith Sengphaathith, LPY 2009

Mr. Mohamead Nazri Shah Bin Mohd Salleh, MaPY 1997

Ms. Sahlee C. Camposano, PPY 1991

Mr. Koh Eng Hwa, SPY 1990

Mr. Woraphat Sungnoi, TPY 1997

Mr. Vu Pham Minh Tuan, VPY 2008

Ten OBSC Representatives from Japan and nine ASEAN countries boarded Fuji Maru in Brunei Darussalam. This is first time that Discussion Group Facilitators and OBSC Representatives met face to face for a smooth turn-over and transition from DG Program to Post Program Activities.

In Post-Program Session III (Plenary Session), the OBSC Representatives explained the role of OBSC Representatives as a link between the respective alumni associations and PYs and to facilitate drafting the plan of their Post Program Activities. OBSC Representatives also introduced SSEAYP International, each of the alumni associations and 2011 Post Program Activities. The session went very well and PYs were able to connect the Discussion Group and Post-Program Activities under their respective alumni associations.

In Post Program Sessions with their respective contingents, OBSC representatives briefly discussed about their alumni associations and finalizing Post-Program Activities based on the PYs learning from the Group Discussion and situation of their respective countries. They also gathered and edited articles for SSEAYP News to document PYs experience during 39th SSEAYP 2012.

During the meeting at Cabinet Office, they reported highlights of activities of each of the Alumni Associations. Mr. Hidekazu Inagawa, Director General for the General Promotion of Policy on Youth Affairs and Childrearing, thanked the OBSC representatives for their contributions to the success of 39th SSEAYP 2012.